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MRS. HELEN BEARDSLEE DEAD.

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Helen M. Beardslee, widow o Phineas Beardslee, died of heart disease early yesterday morning at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. John S. Bell, of No 4163 Shenandoah avenue.

Mrs. Beardslee was born in Hartford, Mrs. Beardsiee was born in Hartford. Conn., in 1838, and was a member of an old New England family. She was educated at Auburndale Seminary near Boston and came to St. Louis with her parents in 1856. Since her husband's death, which occurred in 1896, she has made her home with her brother, E. G. Obear, of No. 524 Maple avenue, who survives her. She was a member of the Second Baptist Church for many years.

Her surviving children, all of whom are living in St. Louis, are Mrs. L. M. Hall of No. 5890 Cates avenue, Mrs. Franklin P. Jones of No. 5117 Kensington avenue, Mrs. John S. Bell of No. 463 Shenandoah avenue and Philners Beardslee of No. 415 Stenandoah avenue.

nue and Phineas Beardslee of No. 4133 Si enandoah avenue. The funeral will be held to-morrow. The burial will be in Bellefontaine Cemetery.

LETTING OF LEGAL PRINTING.

Circuit Judges Will Investigate Circulation of Two Papers.

The Circuit Judges held another meeting yesterday to consider the bids for the legal printing. At the previous meeting the Judges ordered the papers which sub-mitted bids to file affidavits of circulation. mitted bids to file amodavits of circulation. The circulation of the Post-Dispatch was given as 116.844; the Globe-Democrat, 103.70; the St. Louis Chronicle, 48.268, and the World, 22.000. The affidavit of the St. Louis Star recited that the paper has a circulation of more than one-fifth of the population of St. Louis, as the law requires.

The World was the lowest bidder and the Chronicie the next.

The representative of the Chronicie protested against the award being made to the World without an investigation as to circulation.

The Judges went into executive session and appointed a committee, composed of Judges Hough, Pisher, Sale and Taylor, to investigate the circulation of the World and Chronicle.

SPECIALTIES.

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MANAGES, SELLS,

DEATHS.

BEARDSLEE-Entered into rest at 2 a. m., January 6, 1994, Helen M. Brandslee, belowed mother of Mrs. John S. Beil, Mrs. Franklin P. Jones, Mrs. Lester M. Hale and Phineas Beardslee, and sister of E. G. Obear. Due notice of the funeral will be given.

BISSLAND — On Tuesday, January 5, 1904, traham Wright Bissland, infant son of William L and Irene C. Bissland.

FLINT-On Wednesday, January 5, 1964, at 10:20 p. m., Mrs. Sophia Louisa, relict of the late S. B. Flint. Due notice of funeral. MACKEY-Noah S. Mackey, aged 73 years and 7 months. Funeral from residence, No. 4534 Arsenal street, Thursday, January 7, at 2

McGRATH-After a short illness, at the resi-lence of her daughter. Eilen Hines, No. 3508. Gark avenue, Margaret McGrath, 22ed 80 rears, beloved wife of the late Patrick Mc-grath. Funeral from residence, No. 3508 Clark avenue, Thursday, January 7, 1504, at 8:30 a. m. to St. Malachi's, Church, thence to Calvary

MERSMAN—On Tuesday, January 5, 1904, at 25 o'clock p. m., Arthur A., beloved husband f. Heien Mersman, aged 44 years. Funeral ill take place Friday 8th inst., at 1:20 o'clock m., from family residence, No. 531 Ridge

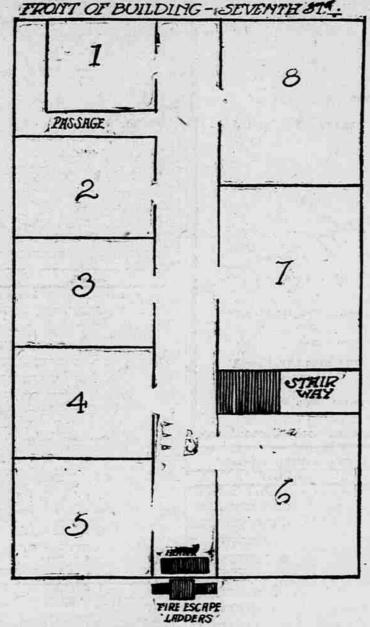
PERRY Entered into rest on Tuesday, Jan-uary 5, 190. Joseph Perry, beloved husband of Clara J. Perry, Funeral from St. Rose's Church at 10 o'clock Thursday morning. In-terment private.

RYAN—On Monday, January 4, 1994, at 11:20 p. m., Margaret O'Neill Ryan, widow of Richard Ryan, mother of O'Neill Ryan, grand-mother of William E. Johnston and Mrs. John N. Straat, aged 80 years and 10 months. Funeral from residence of her son, No. 462 Laclede avenue, Friday, January 8, at 9 o'clock a. m. to New Cathedrai Chapel, mass at 9:20 a. m., thence to Calvary Cemetery. Please omit flow-

STEFFEN-On Monday, January 4, 1904, Rose Steffen, relict of John Henry Steffen, our dear mother, grandmother and great-grandmother mother of William H. Officer Frank J. John T. Charles A. and Harry I. Staffen, Mrs. Volles Gallaber and Mrs. Kate Welter. Puneral will take place from residence. No. 1834 Papin street. Thursday, January 7, at 1:20 p. m., to Church of Holy Angels, thence to Calvary Cemetery. Galnesville. Tex. Jamestown, M. T., and New York City, N. Y., papers please conv.

Day or Night.

FLOOR PLAN OF THE SHIELDS SCHOOL, SHOWING NEED OF FRONT FIRE ESCAPE



This diagram shows the staircase and fire escape in the rear of the school, so located that a fire in room No. 4 would cut off the use of both. The heater obstructs bassage to the fire escape. In the front the building lacks the necessary protective

Assistant Building Commissioner Finds Defects in Shields, Carr and Crow Buildings.

intendent Soldan Suggesting Changes to Meet Requirements of Laws.

Schools Soldan yesterday by Assistant Building Commissioner Smith calling his are followed, the new building ordinance, attention to the lack of fire protection in the Shields, Carr and Crow schools, Recommendations were also made that the defects in the location of the fire scape at the Shields School, the wooden

stairway and lack of fire escape at the Carr School and the ladder fire escape in use at the Crow School be remedied im-The inspectors of the Department of Public Buildings found that the Carr School at Efficenth and Carr streets was

not equipped with fire escapes and as the stairs are of wood egress from the upper loors would be impossible were the stairs

streets has a ladder fire escape at the rear stairway are located near each other a fire in one of the rooms near the staircas would cut off the rooms in the front of The stairway in the Shields School is

building about fifty feet from the exit, in-stead of immediately at the door leading out of the building.

Directly in front of the windows opening upon the fire escape is a steam radiator, which rises sixteen inches above the window sill. Even with the window open to its greatest extent, there would be difficulty for a child to climb over the heater and through the window.

of iron and opens in the middle of the

LADDER FIRE ESCAPE. ladder fire escapes, and as this style is in riolation of the State law, neither the

violation of the State law, neither the Shields nor the Crow school is in accordance with the statute regarding such buildings.

On receipt of the report the Assistant Building Commissioner called the attention of Superintendent Soldan to the three schools. It was recommended that they be equipped with step fire escapes, and, in the case of the Shields School, the removal of the heater that obstructs the window was also asked.

Mr. Smith stated that the department was concentrating its attention on the

the report shoulding department of the to by the building department of the School Board.

The Building Commissioner has recommended that the Shields School be equipped with a fire escape at the front of the building and that the stairway in Carr School be changed to steel. With these changes the school buildings will be in safe condition, Assistant Commissioner Smith says.

Missouri Supreme Court.

Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 6.-The follow ing are the proceedings of the Missouri lupreme Court to-day:

Dolman vs. Schilef; continued to January 9. Dolman vs. Scales; continued to January 9, 1804.
Gannon vs. Pauk; argued and submitted.
Petty vs. St. Louis and Missouri River Railroad Company; argued and submitted.
Hesselbach vs. St. Louis; argued and submitted.
Reed vs. Mexico: dismissed for failure, etc.
Resenteidt vs. St. Louis and Suburban Railroay; argued and submitted.
Adjourned until to-motrow morning at 9 o'clock.

State vs. Vette; argued and submitted.
State va. Schnettler; submitted on brief by
appellant; ten days to respondent to file briefs.
State vs. Drew; submitted on brief by appliant; ten days to respondent to file brief.
State vs. Boyer; submitted on record.
Committee record. State va Number; order on clerk to send up complete record.
State va Neighbors; submitted on record.
State va Derry: aubmitted on record; five days to respondent to file briefs.
State va Charped; submitted on briefs by appellant; five days to respondent to file brief.
State va Adminst; argued and submitted by appellant; five days to respondent to file brief.
Adjourned to January S.

ASBESTOS CURTAINS

Drops in St. Louis Theaters Unharmed by Strong Flames From Blow Lamps.

OBJECTS TO LADDER ESCAPES. QUESTION COMES UP TO-DAY.

Sends Detailed Report to Super- Automatic Sprinklers for Playhouses Opposed by Building Commissioner-Water Sheets Favored.

> are followed, the new building ordinance, which will be discussed at a special meet-ing of the City Council this afternoon, will not require either the use of a steel the establishment on the stages of the

automatic sprinkling system.

Mr. Heimburger stated yesterday: "I am thoroughly convinced that the asestos is the most practical curtain and affords as much protection to the auditorium of a theater in case of fire as any other fire-proof curtain suggested.

"As to the automatic sprinkling system, I agree with Chief Swingley and Henry M. Blossom, president of the St. Louis Fire Prevention Bureau, in that the sprinkling system is a menace, rather

"I will recommend the water curtain to be placed parallel to the asbestos cur tain, and also the establishment of draftflues on the stages of all theaters.

The other recommendations which have been discussed heretofore will be incorporated in the ordinance. These, of course, include the stationing of city firemen on the stage of the theater, the establishment of fire aiarm boxes, the proper marking of stage and auditorium exits, as well as a section requiring the aisles to be absolutely clear during every performance. "It has been suggested that the theater managers be required to have fireproof scenery. This, I think is impractical scenery can hardly be fireproof, but I will suggest noninfiammable scenery, and this ruie, I am told, is well observed now by all theater owners and managers.

AFFORDING MORE PROTECTION. The other recommendations which have

AFFORDING MORE PROTECTION. "We have recommended several changes in St. Louis theaters, but from the intions that we have made I feel safe in issuring the St. Louis public that they are assuring the St. Louis public that they are better protected in the theaters at this time than they have ever been. The theater managers are particularly cautious, and every practical suggestion that has been made to them has been accepted.

"The water curtain on the stage was the suggestion of James J. Butter of the standard Theater, who has one in successful operation at his theater in Kansas City. Every theater manager in the city voluntarily agreed to place this additional protection in his theater as soon as possible.

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"The managers object to the sprinkling system because it is too uncertain. The hitting of the automatic pipes, overheating in certain parts of the stage, and many other unlooked for things can cause these pipes to burst, resulting in gan alarm of the and which would necessarily be followed by needless alarm and a possible panic.

"The steel curtain is too hard to handle, and therefore, is not looked upon as practical. In the event of a fire, a steel curtain might expand, and if it did so it might be impossible to lower it. Put a steel curtain in a groove and there would be the danger of its hitching in the lowerling of it.

"This same objection to a groove is

be the danger of its intening in the lowerling of it.

"This same objection to a groove is
made in the placing of an asbestos curtain. The curtains in street cars are
placed in grooves. Did you ever try to
raise or, lower one of those curtains
quickly? Have you noticed how often it
is that these curtains stick in the groove?
The same argument is made against the
groove in regard to an asbestos curtain.

When placed on a wire, as the main drop
curtain in a theater is adjusted, quick and
satisfactory action is more certain.

"Another argument against the steel
curtain is that in the event of a fire in a
theater the stage is oftentimes the best
means of exit. With a steel curtain barring the way, the stages as a means of
exit would be practically shut off.

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were tested yesterday by commissioner Heimburger. Every curtain withstood the test which Mr. Heimburger made.

The Building Commissioner placed a piumber's blowpipe against each curtain. The blaze, he said, was the most powerful to which the curtains could be subjected. The blaze was concentrated on one each curtain. At the Standard Theater the blaze had been applied to the Standard curtain for four minutes. After the blaze had been applied to the Standard curtain for four minutes and three seconds the particular spot on the curtain reached a state of white heat, but the asbestos remained undamaged.

At the Century and Columbia theaters the test lasted over two minutes.

At all of the theaters the curtains withstood the heat of the blowpipe in a satisfactory manner. It was this test that convinced Commissioner Heimburger that asbestos is by far the most satisfactory material for a fireproof curtain.

Some fault was found with the trimmings and drop pieces on the theater curtains, but these defects may be easily remedied, and Mr. Heimburger received assurance from the managers that the suggested repairs on the curtains would be made immediately.

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The reports of the building inspectors of the general conditions of St. Louis theaters have been filed with the Commissioner of Public Buildings. These reports are similar in many respects. When the inspectors visited the Century Theater they found that a fire-alarm box had not been provided. Since the inspection, however. Manager P. Short of the Century has had a fire-alarm box installed.

The principal defects, as contained in the report of the inspectors, are the absence of sprinklers on the stage, asbestos curtains not operated in grooves, scenery not fireproof and absence of fire-alarm boxes on the stage.

With the exception of the fire-alarm boxes, however, the Commissioner of Public Buildings has ruled that the other so-called defects are not objectionable features.

"It is my belief, founded on study of the frequels fire, and other incidents, that the danger point is the stage itself; and if between it and the audience there can be

danger point is the stage itself; and if between it and the audicnce there can be an effective wall for twenty minutes, at least, preventing the spread of fire into the auditorium, there is no more danger in a theater than there is in any place of public assemblage, or in many of the thronged business houses of Chicago, and of St. Louis.

What we are striving for here is not the destruction of the business of the theaters; but for practical measures which will allay apprehension, and are equally adapted to prevent dangerous fires, and panics with or without a fire. We have an ordinance not enforced—requiring standard sprinkler equipments on all the stages. Our chief Inspector, Mr. Henley, and I, myself, are earnest apostles of the automatic sprinkler system, wherever it can be made effective.

"But my own judgment is that it has no proper office for a theater stage; or if it has any, there are other devices which are more sure, and at the same time present less objections in many ways. The automatic appliance may or may not work in the case of a well-equipped sprinkler system. It generally does work when needed, but in any system which has ever been installed there is the possibility of its working sometime when it is not needed; that is to say, a sprinkler head may so off through some accident or through some unexpected circumstance where there is no fire.

"If this should happen when there was a large audience present it would be the ocasion of sudden alarm and panic—needless, undoubtedly, but inevitable. The effect would be much the same as if there were a fire. This, however, is pure theory; a though the managers of theaters insist that it is so pregnant of fact that they will not consent to tolerate the automatic sprinkler system for a minute, except under the lash of compulsion. And hardly then.

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The Cook & Bernheimer Co. Makers New York J. P. CONRAD GROCER CO. St. Louis Distributors Century, Columbia, Havlin's, Imperial, Crawford's, Grand and Standard theaters were tested yesterday by Commissioner Heimburger. Every curtain withstood the test which Mr. Heimburger made. The Building Commissioner placed a

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Frank R. Tate, manager of the Colombia Theater, received a telegram from George Middleton of Chicago yesterday stating that the Chicago City Council had rejected the ordinance providing for sprinklers on the stages of Chicago theaters.

The argument which the Chicago managers used successfully was that the sprinklers were more likely to cause a panic by going off accidentally than any other contrivance in a theater.

H. M. Blossom, president of the St. Louis Fire Prevention Bureau, made a statement to The Republic last night, covering the situation with rezard to fire protection in theaters. He said.

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mote from the probable inception of the fire; and that there must be a roaring flame on the stage before the heat could reach the sprinkler-head sufficiently strong to procure the discharge of water."

CHICAGO BANDITS ON TRIAL

First Day Spent in Vain Effort to Obtain Jurors.

INCREASE DAILY FIRE DRILLS. More Protection for School Children Discussed by Committee. At a meeting of the Committee on Instruction of the Board of Education yes

terday afternoon, the provisions made a

various schools, in case of fire, were carefully considered. Reports from principals show that al Reports from principals show that almost all school buildings in the city can be emptied of pupils in less than four minutes.

Detailed instructions to principals and teachers regarding the speedy and orderly dismissal of children in case of fire were submitted to the committee by Superintendent Soldan.

Instead of the daily fire drill which the pupils are called upon at most any hour to perform, three drills will be held every day. These will take place at the morning recess, the noon hour and dismissal hour.

ing recess, the noon hour and dishassanhour.

All recently built schools are fireproof. Those which have stood for more than ten years have fireproof stairways and basements. In all schools it is impossible for the fire to communicate from the basement to the upper floors.

Many of the schools are not adequately supplied with fire escapes. According to Building Commissioner William B. Ittner fire escapes on a school building are dangerous. There is no need for their use where the stairways are wide and are fireproof, it is stated.

NELLIE MEEKS IS MARRIED

Only Survivor of Family Murder ed at Browning, Mo. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Milan, Mo., Jan. 6.—Miss Nellie Meeks and Mr. Albert Spray were married here to-day.

Miss Meeks is the only survivor of the Meeks family, who were murdered at Browning, several years ago, by George and William Taylor.

First Day Spent in Vain Effort to Obtain Jurors. Chicago, Jan. 6.-The trial of three of

the car-barn bandits-Marx, Neidermeier and Van Dine-was commenced to-day before Judge Kosten in the Criminal Court and, after a day's struggle in the effort It has been announced that the defense will be insanity in each case, but the attorneys for the defense to-day, by the questions put to the veniremen, indicated that some other line would be adopted. It is possible that four veniremen who were examined to-day may be accepted to-morrow.

to-morrow.

The first step taken by the defense was a motion to seek delay in behalf of Van Dine. An affidavit was presented to the effect that effort had falled to secure the attendance of Doctor James C. Ross, who is in Colorado. Van Dine was employed by Doctor Ross in Chicago Heights, and it is said that the physician will testify that Van Dine is insane.

SENDS RING TO JAY WEAVER Oriental Potentate's Peace Offer-

ing Is of Turquoise.

Jay Weaver, assistant manager of the Planters Hotel, is wearing a turquoise ring which he believes will ward off evil spirits for all time. It was sent to him spirits for all time. It was sent to him by the Marapah of Cashmere, an Oriental potentate of importance in the section of Asia through which Gaston Akoun has been traveling in search of attractions for his Midway show.

Mr. Akoun spoke of Mr. Weaver in such terms that the dignitary thought it wise to send a gift to propitiate so great a per-sonage, as the Marapah expects to visit St. Louis this year and will probably stop at the Planters.

Milan Marshal Resigns.

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